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The role of good governance in the promotion of human rights

Note by the secretariat

1. In its resolution 2000/64, the Commission on Human Rights requested the High Commissioner for Human Rights to invite all States to provide practical examples of activities that have been effective in strengthening good governance practices for the promotion of human rights at the national level, including activities in the context of development cooperation between States, for inclusion in a compilation of indicative ideas and practices that could be consulted by the interested States when required.

2. Accordingly, on 6 September 2000, a note verbale was transmitted by the High Commissioner for Human Rights to the permanent missions of all Member States, requesting relevant information to be included in such a compilation.

3. As of 7 December 2000, replies had been received from Australia, Bolivia, Cuba, Colombia, Denmark, Georgia, Mexico, Norway and Portugal. These are available for consultation in the files of the secretariat.

4. The High Commissioner for Human Rights will continue to process contributions as they are received for eventual inclusion in a compilation of indicative ideas and practices.